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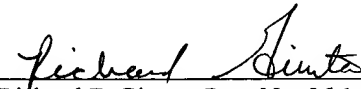
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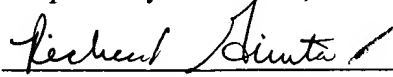
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Official Action dated October 24, 2003, as well as the Advisory Action dated January 15, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration. In view of a telephone discussion with the Examiner on January 9, 2004, it is believed that a number of the rejections have been overcome. Applicants believe that the application is in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed below.

Initially, the undersigned thanks Examiner Vital for the courtesies extended in granting and conducting the telephone interview on January 9, 2004. The substance of that telephone interview is summarized below.